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Japan Open For Trade On Aug. 15

Tokyo, June 8. General Douglas MacArthur announced today that Japan will open limited private trade on August 15. Accommodations for 400 private trade representatives will be made available.

The announcement said:

"It is expected that within the limit of the 400 available accommodations in Japan, allocations to the Allied nations will be made by the Allied Trade Board of the Far Eastern Commission."

The basis of the Trade Board's allocation has not been made public.

"After the announcement of the quotas, the selection of trade representatives to visit Japan will be made by various nations concerned in accordance with procedures established by them. Final approval for entry will be extended by SCAP."

The statement continued:

"Business services such as banking, international communications, insurance and others, will be offered as rapidly as available. International interests will be permitted immediate entry into Japan for these purposes to the extent required."

"Initially there will be no foreign exchange rates established, but this will be done as soon as conditions permit. It has been agreed in Tokyo and Washington that no exchange rate is practical until a flow of export trade in a wide range of commodities has been established." — Associated Press.

(See also Page 8.)

Visa-Sales Racket

Rome, June 8. The police today broke up a Uruguayan visa-sellers racket and brought larceny charges against Laterza, former Vice-Consul for Uruguay in Rome.

Laterza, an Italian national born at Asuncion in 1921, allegedly demanded that visa applicants pay sums ranging from \$6 to \$8 for clerical work and cost of stamps for visas which were issued gratis.

Laterza continued his visa racket despite his dismissal early in April.—United Press.

UNO, USA Must Quit Being Negative

New York, June 8. Louis Fischer, author and correspondent, in a speech at the Liberal Party luncheon today, said, "The Truman doctrine means that America has discarded isolationism. That is why the Russians and Communists don't like it. Moscow hopes that we will get out of Europe and Asia. Without us Europe and parts of Asia would fall into Russia's lap."

He expressed regret that the United States and other democracies did not apply a similar doctrine in Manchuria and Abyssinia despite the fact that in those days Manchuria was under the dictatorship of a Chinese warlord and Abyssinia was a slave-holding backward autocracy.

He asserted, "It is the duty of the United States and other democracies to protect all weak and small countries against direct and indirect aggression irrespective of the nature of the governments in those countries.

Soviet Designs

"I have condemned British imperialism. But to continue to do so with the same intensity, as Henry Wallace and others do, when the British are visibly getting out of India, Egypt and Greece is to flag a dying horse."

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IMPLICATIONS OF THE "GET TOGETHER" EUROPE PLEA

United States To Provide \$6,000,000,000 A Year For Reconstruction?

General Marshall's Loudest Hint

Washington, June 7. Well-informed observers here were today discussing the possibility of the United States providing \$6,000,000,000 per year for three years to aid European reconstruction as they weighed the implications of the "get together" appeal to Europe of the Secretary of State, General George C. Marshall.

The immediate need, Washington believes, is preparation by the European nations of a consolidated balance sheet of dollar deficits and requirements, and of the productive resources of the countries. This would be a preliminary to the planning of the suggested mutual-aid programme by all concerned.

American officials said that, when the discussions take place, they will be of an informal and private nature.

A French Embassy spokesman said that the French Reconstruction Chief, M. Jean Monnet, may arrive next week.

This news has lent some support to the theory that some broadening of the "Monnet plan" for French reconstruction to include Britain and the other European countries might prove to be the best formula by which General Marshall's proposals could be fulfilled.

United States officials, however, expressed anxiety over the apparent misinterpretation placed on General Marshall's speech by some sections of European opinion.

Up To Europe These officials declared that any speculation that General Marshall was prepared to call a "European economic conference" or that President Truman was ready with a message to Congress asking for thousands of millions of dollars showed a complete lack of understanding of the fundamentals of the policy enunciated by General Marshall.

There is a growing fear among many that Soviet diplomacy may be moving towards the political organisation of a United States of Eastern and Southeastern Europe or a Greater Slav Union of Socialist Soviet Republics faster than the speed with which the United States and Western Europe are able to advance towards economic unification.

Lord Inverchapel, the British Ambassador to the United States, is expected to get into touch with the State Department shortly for informal discussions on means of putting into effect the Marshall proposal.

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New York, June 8. Farmer Vice-President Henry Wallace said today that a "peace treaty with Russia" is the major task confronting America.

Speaking here on his continued national tour, Wallace urged agreement with Soviet Russia and opposed the idea of separate peace treaties with Austria and Germany as advocated by Senator Vandenberg and former President Hoover.

He spoke with the Chinese Ambassador, Dr. Wellington Koo, on the weekly radio programme, "Our Foreign Policy."

All said, "A very great deal depends on how these two 'giants' are going to adjust their relationship between themselves and to what extent they will be guided by the judgment of the United Nations. In any case the United States fills a role in the post-war world which can be of utmost importance in shaping human destiny."

The Indian Ambassador added that India is also in a position to emerge as a major power in the family of nations. With this position goes inseparably the responsibility for leadership in the post-war world."

The two Ambassadors opined that their peoples believed in the purposes of the United Nations.

Aid For China

All said, "I have a feeling that there is a general desire in the whole of Asia that the United Nations organization should mature toward a point where it can guarantee to the world security and peace and freedom, which is every man's birthright. India, most certainly, ardently and earnestly, desires that it should be so and India is prepared to throw her whole weight into the scale of peace, security and freedom and, I may also add, prosperity, of the human race in full cooperation with the United Nations organizations. I can safely assert that India believed in the United Nations organization and she is persuaded to believe today that the UN organization is the only hope of an ordered post-war world."

Ambassador Koo said China desires United States financial aid for development but not for political purposes. He said, "For only with increased production can trade between China and the United States be more rapidly developed and a valuable contribution made by the United States to world prosperity."

The Chinese Ambassador said that M. Monnet's visit here

MACAO CAN RELAX

Canton, June 8. Government authorities denied today Chinese press reports (unconfirmed by any other source) that Chinese troops were ready to seize Macau.

Agitation by the Chinese that China take over the colony is reported to be diminishing. There is no confirmation of Chinese reports that the Portuguese authorities declared martial law in Macau.—Associated Press.

Jewels Hidden In Dustbin

Mucking, June 7. A refuse barge sailed down the River Thames this afternoon to a dumping ground at Mucking, Essex. Some

where on board the barge was a cardboard box containing £400 worth of jewellery, owned by Mrs. Gertrude Barkat of Exeter House, Putney Heath.

Barkat was afraid of a robbery she tried to fool the attempts of thieves by hiding the jewellery in a box in the dustbin before going out to visit friends. Later she forgot about the jewellery and put the dustbin outside for emptying.

Then, when she remembered what she had done, she made inquiries and found that the contents of the dustbin had been emptied into a barge and that it was too late to stop the barge from sailing.

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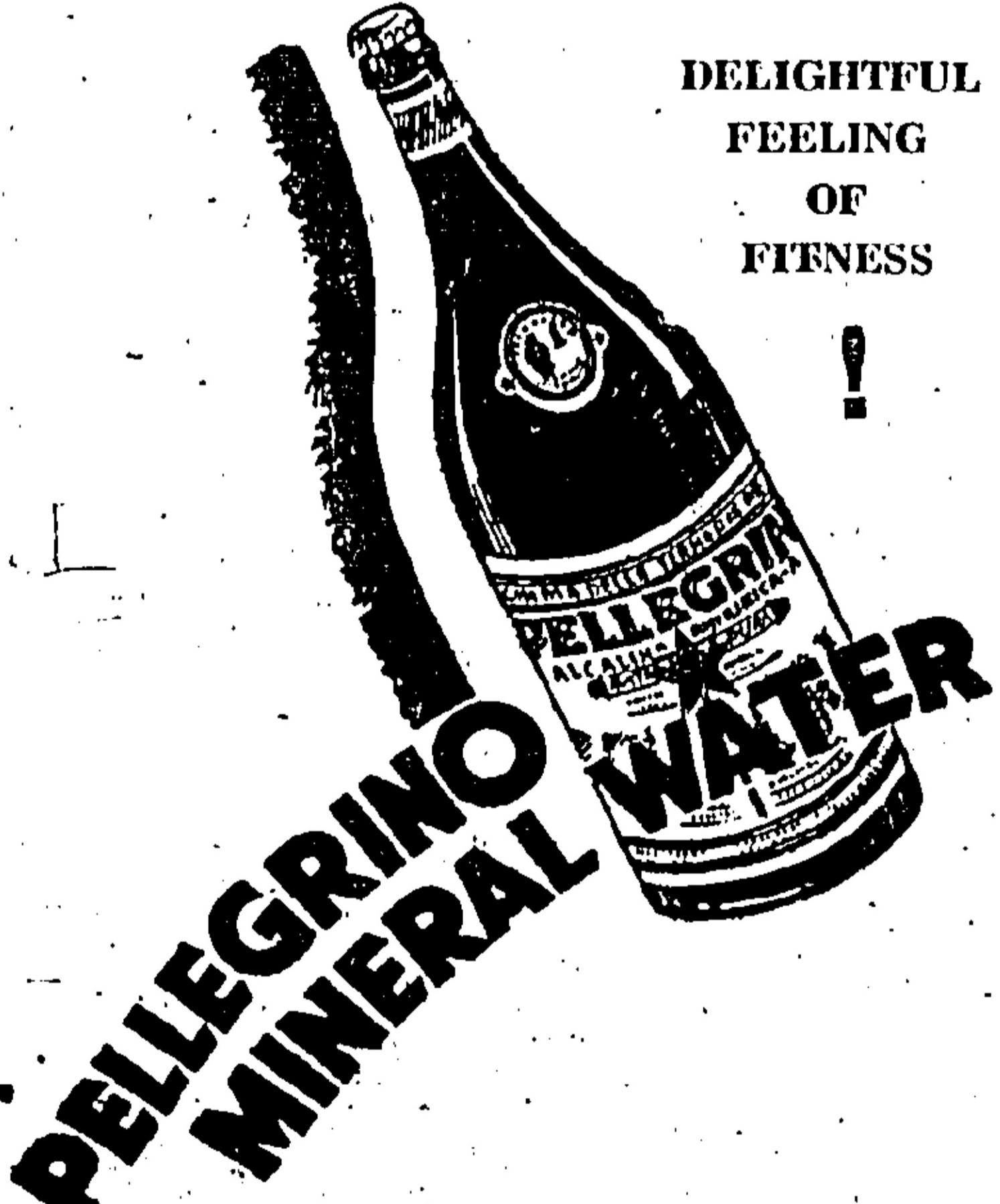
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Coming Events

June 10—Tor H. 6.30 p.m. "Family Night" at Talbot House, 50 Macdonnel Road.
June 12—Seventh Extra Race Meeting.
June 12—King's Birthday Parade, Happy Valley, 10.30 a.m.
June 16—H.K. & Whampoa Docks annual meeting, noon.
June 26—Dairy Farm, Ice & Cold Storage Co. Ltd. annual meeting, 11 a.m.
June 27—Indo-China S.N. Co. Ltd. annual general meeting noon.

China's New Financial Policy

Nanking, June 8.
Premier Chang Chun was reported today to have disclosed the government's new financial policy to minimize note issue and relax the system of controls to encourage free enterprise.

During the recent consideration of measures to balance the budget, various opinions were submitted to the government criticizing the heavy expenses involved in the collection of land taxes in kind.

Some critics said that \$7,600,000,000 were spent on the maintenance of collection agencies leaving only a negligible amount for the Treasury.

Suggestions were also made to restore the old traditional system of hiring contractors to handle tax collection.

Other proposals included the stripping of 100 wealthiest Chinese of half of their fortunes by imposing "just for once" a 50 percent tax on their property.—United Press.

Threatening Letters

A new organization, styling itself the "Five Dragons Society" and apparently bent on following the footsteps of the now notorious "Oversens, Youth Action Organization" has sprung into the limelight by selecting Sun Min Sze Tsang, one of the leading Cantonese stage personalities to be the recipient of its first threatening letter.

Ma, who is now appearing with the "Loong Poong" (Dragon and Phoenix) troupe at the Ko Shing Theatre, is reported to have received a threatening letter from the "Five Dragons Society" demanding "loan" of \$5,000.

The Ko Shing Theatre is also reported to have received a letter from the same society for "loan" of \$10,000.

Apart from admitting that certain threatening letters had been received, the Police Authorities, when approached by the "China Mail" yesterday, were not prepared to furnish any additional information.

An armed robbery occurred in the heart of the city at 7.35 last night, when four men (one of whom was armed with a revolver and another with an automatic) burst into the premises of the Lee On Watch Dealers, 134 Queen's Road Central. They held up the manager, Leung Hin-wah, and ten others, cleared the showcases of 112 watches, valued at \$8,800, and escaped. The whole incident took but a few minutes.

No further bodies were found at 14 Reclamation Street, which collapsed on Saturday night, resulting in the death of four persons. Only one fatality occurred at the other collapse that night, in Norfolk Road, where the body of a woman was found by the Fire Brigade early yesterday morning.

Nanking, June 8.
China's Navy has decided to set up a special office to handle the taking over of Japanese warships given to China as reparations, official sources disclosed today.—United Press.

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JAPANESE ARE PUTTING OUT TRADE FEELERS

(By Roy Macartney)

Singapore, June 5.
"Feelers" by Japanese businessmen seeking to re-establish contacts in Malaya and secure orders include a request to the Singapore Chinese Chamber of Commerce for a free copy of a business directory of Singapore.

A flood of fulsome letters last week inundated Singapore firms looking for business. The following are extracts from a letter from Mitsui Busan, Kaisha Ltd., Tokyo:

"Dear Sirs—More than a year has elapsed since the doves of peace came back with the eternal spring after the many necessities of catastrophe wrought by the hapless war.

"Under the control of Allied forces, a thorough-going reform of New Japan is making its way on the wheels of Democracy, and the Japanese are ever desirous for an early return of the days when Japan shall be treated as a member of the United Nations.

"Any assistance you can give us in this connection will be greatly appreciated and reciprocated by us should you desire information on any subject at this end."

"Looking forward to the resumption of direct trade relations with your esteemed firm at an early date and hoping to hear from you by return."

Coldly Received

The letters were coldly received by the British-run Singapore Chamber of Commerce as saying that the Communist broadcast was another rejection of peace offer and puts another naillock on the door to peace.—United Press.

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"The newspaper quotes a well-known Indian merchant as saying that the Americans were responsible for the present relatively high prices of Japanese textiles on offer in Singapore. He believed that left alone, the Japanese "would know what to do."—Reuter—A.A.P.

Shanghai, June 8.
Hung Shen, a Railway Administration official, today outlined plans for improving the Nanking-Shanghai railroad which, he said, the Ministry of Communication is expected to act upon in the near future.

He said four methods are being explored for relieving congestion: 1, double tracking the entire line; 2, double tracking sections of the line; 3, installing a centralized traffic control system; 4, improving the present mechanized interlocking system which was partly destroyed during the war.

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An increase in public utility rates as from this month has been approved by the Price Control Committee. The increase will be at an average of 100 per cent.

Increased rates are unavoidable due to the great losses suffered by the public utility companies, despite Government subsidies. While the deficits of the various public utility concerns amounted to more than CN\$3,000,000,000,000, during the month of May the Government subsidy was only CN\$1,660,000,000.—Central News.

Another Letter

F. Kanomatsu & Co., Ltd., wrote:

"Dear Sirs,—It gives us great pleasure to announce that, after a lapse of several years we are now placed in a position to correspond with our friends outside Japan and exchange information on the trade outlook preparatory to the eventual resumption of normal trade relations.

"We have fortunately emerged from the war almost intact materially and with little loss of personnel, and are carrying on business as actively as before without being handicapped by postwar restrictions.

"At the present moment, Japan's trade with other countries is channelled through Boeki-Cho, the official board of trade of the Imperial Japanese Government, under the supervision of General Headquarters of the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers in Tokyo, and no individual firms are permitted to transact freely with parties abroad.

"However, inasmuch as our Company is one of the officially appointed agents acting for the Boeki-Cho, we can put our transactions through this channel.

Same Lines

"Our lines remain practically the same as before the war, namely, all kinds of raw textile materials, piece goods, yarns, and made-up goods, grains and seeds, agricultural and dairy products; lumber; aquatic products; machinery, and tools, porcelain and chinaware; glassware; chemical products; sundry.

"We shall be greatly interested to know the market conditions of merchandise which used to be exported from your country to Japan and also what lines of goods from Japan will be the most prospective for your market, with full in-

formation.

Huge Price

China, they say, has paid a huge price for the signing of the 30-year Sino-Soviet treaty of amity and naturally will try her best to hold this treaty in the hope it may preserve what little authority the Chinese government still has in the northeast.

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and Port Arthur, observers say, whatever reason the Soviets may give for not having handed the administration of these two Manchurian ports back to China is automatically rejected by the Chinese who feel they have lost the northeast for 15 years and think they are justified in wanting it back whole.

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Reds Say PPC Only A KMT Organ

Nanking, June 8.

The Communist radio last night belatedly rejected the People's Political Council invitation asking Red delegates to proceed to Nanking to discuss peace.

The broadcast claimed that the PPC is nothing but a Kuomintang organ.

It pointed out that while the PPC appealed for peace on one hand, it passed resolutions favouring the Nationalist war effort on the other.

Other Chinese press reports quoted government officials as saying that the Communist broadcast was another rejection of peace offer and puts another naillock on the door to peace.—United Press.

Railway Improvement

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Learnington, June 7.
An example of cynical interference by a Great Power in the affairs of a small neighbour was the description applied by Mr. Anthony Eden, the former Foreign Secretary, in a speech made here today, when he referred to the recent developments in Hungary.

In the absence of full information, however, it was impossible to pronounce a final judgment on the case, he said, but it seemed clear that it was more designed to secure the establishment of a Communist controlled regime before the entry into force of the peace treaty and the ultimate withdrawal of the Soviet forces. Reuter.

Britons Stranded In France

Folkestone, June 8.
Although warned not to go to France, 256 passengers, mostly British tourists, left Folkestone for Calais last night on the Cross-Channel steamer Isle of Thanet.

The boat train from London brought 270, and only 14 decided to stay on this side of the Channel. It is estimated that there must be at least 1,000 British tourists now delayed at Calais.

Scores of British tourists who crossed the Channel on Friday for continental holidays returned on Saturday because of the French rail strike.

The Channel steamer "Isle of Thanet" brought 150 passengers from Calais on Saturday, refusing to heed Premier Paul Ramadier's appeal to return to work, closed down terminals throughout the country.

Paris, hub of the country's rail network lay behind a veritable iron curtain through which only

Army Planes Used As Substitute

Paris, June 7.
The railway strike spread rapidly to the most of France today. At railway headquarters, the stoppage was described as "total throughout the country."

Railway officials said: "Local traffic is functioning around some towns but every hour brings news of further stoppages." The only long-distance train to reach Paris up to this evening was the Amsterdam express.

The strikers have undertaken to see that food trains run, but arrivals in Paris have been slow and patchy. The shunting staff to handle this traffic have been reduced to a minimum.

Four hundred British tourists who were stranded in Calais last night, left today by motor coach, some for Paris, and some for Basle. They slept in the train last night and railway officials brought the locomotive up to warm them.

Travel agencies in Paris were working overtime today to solve the problems that the strike had brought before them.

1,500,000 Held Up

An American company can a special bus from Paris to Calais with passengers for England and made plans for special buses to Cherbourg for Atlantic liners.

The Public Utilities Federation threatened to strike unless the government gave them a number of advantages, including a "high cost of living bonus."

Cabinet Meeting

Such a strike would include gas, electricity, subways, buses and garbage disposal services.

Ramadier is to hold an extraordinary Cabinet meeting at 9 p.m. tonight when he will inform interested Ministers of the progress, if any, that had been made in today's negotiations.

The National railway system is losing 350,000,000 francs in receipts each day of the strike.

"Iron Curtain" Paris, June 7.
France was in the grip of a virtual general railroad strike to-day as 150,000 railroad men, refusing to heed Premier Paul Ramadier's appeal to return to work, closed down terminals throughout the country.

Paris, hub of the country's rail network lay behind a veritable iron curtain through which only

SCIENTISTS TO HUNT THE MISSING LINK

Capetown, June 8.
South Africa is to be the base from which a costly scientific expedition organised by the University of California and sponsored by General Smuts will set forth in July to spend one year in the remote regions of Africa probing for final proof that man is a descendant of the ape.

Led by Wendell Phillips, Field Director of the Museum of Palaeontology of California University, the expedition will dig for skulls of the ape-like beings under five feet high who uttered under human words, walked on their hind legs, used their hands for manipulating primitive tools, and lived in Southern Africa more than 75,000 years ago.

The American expedition is the climax to the investigations of 80-year-old Dr. Robert Broom, South Africa's internationally famous anthropologist. The first link in his new chain of evidence came 30 years ago when a human-like skull, apparently of a fossil bushman child was discovered at Taungs in Bechuanaland. Dr. Broom and other scientists considered it to be neither that of an ape nor of a human being, but of an intermediate type representative of the ape-like beings from which man has evolved. But the British authorities doubted the authenticity of this missing link.

New Secrets

In 1930, near Johannesburg, Dr. Broom found a fossil brain cast of an adult form allied to the Taungs ape child. It was the size of a normal man, remarkably human in type, and contained beautifully preserved teeth, almost human in

Primitive Music

Besides searching cave deposits for further evidence of early man and his ancestors, American scientists will look for fossil reptiles and make an exhaustive study of primitive music and primitive peoples, including the bushmen of Kalahari and the pygmies of the Congo.

The expedition was planned after General Smuts had met leading anthropologists during his visit to America. He has accepted the honorary chairmanship of

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"THAT'S A LOT OF TALK FOR A LITTLE GIRL!"

Gun Duel On Sumatra Coast

Singapore, June 7.

The Annual Meeting and Dinner of the Australian Inventors Society, normally a decorous function, has just broken up in near confusion. One member demonstrated a patent fork which, when a button is pressed in the handle, pushes the food gently into the mouth.

The dinner was proceeding when after a loud click, the fork propelled a generous slice of sausage the length of the table. At the second try it flung a piece of potato on several diners; whereat the inventor, amidst laughter, requested a normal fork. Our Own Correspondent.

Foodstuffs were allowed to pass throughout the day the city's great terminals were besieged by thousands of ill-tempered would-be travellers and vacationists who came in the vain hope that the strike might be settled.

The government mobilized several hundred army trucks which will be placed at the disposal of people stranded in Paris who have to return to their homes in the outskirts. Air France threw a special strike schedule into operation to maintain liaison between isolated cities. The government announced that the service would be boosted by the use of flying planes.

As the authorities battled this situation a new threat loomed. The Public Utilities Federation threatened to strike unless the strike continues.

Yesterday the company sent several planes to Marseilles with passengers for the Greek ship Sirona under orders to sail for Athens.

Unofficial rail strike statistics tonight estimated that 1,500,000 travellers have been held up throughout France, including 600,000 Paris workers relying on local trains to take them to their jobs. 12,000,000 manhours being lost daily through the strike.

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When the British plan for

India was announced and the Indian leaders accepted at least

temporary dominion status, the Burmese Cabinet was reported to have discussed and reviewed Burma's demand for complete independence from Great Britain.

A mass rally was called for

June 10 to reiterate the inde-

pendence demands.

Meanwhile, some 300 mem-

bers of the Burma police force

have planned to leave today for

Akyab to join the military and

civil forces engaged in fighting

a revolutionary movement in

the Irrawaddy.—Associated Press.

EXECUTIONS IN SALONIKI

Athens, June 7.

Accused of taking part in a

plot to separate Macedonia

from Greece, eight Macedonian

civilians were sentenced to death

by a military court and were

shot in Salonika today.

It had been alleged that they

were members of the Slav ter-

roristic organisation, "Okrana".

—Reuter.

Surprise Landing At Tengah

Singapore, June 7.

The famous Dutch pilot, Captain D. K. Parmentier, Operations manager of the K.L.M. Netherlands Airlines, surprised aviation officials at Singapore here this afternoon when he landed a Constellation Nijmegen at the Royal Air Force airfield at Tengah, 14 miles north of Singapore, on a survey flight from Amsterdam to Batavia.

Tengah, which will shortly be completed, will be the only Singapore airfield capable of taking Constellation aircraft and the Changi airfield is finished in about two years time.

It is understood that Australian Constellation planes from the Qantas Company, when they begin their service to England at the end of the year, will use Tengah until Changi is ready but the same facilities have thus far not been extended to the Dutch.

RAF officials advised Parmentier before taking off from Bangkok this morning that he should take on enough petrol to make Batavia in one hop as Tengah was not ready.

While in flight, the aircraft signalled that its petrol safety margin was rather fine and requested permission to land at Tengah. The RAF hurriedly cleared equipment from the strip to enable the plane to land.

Besides owning the first Constellation to test out Tengah, the K.L.M. hope to be the first to inaugurate a Constellation service to the Far East.

Mr. Plesman, K.L.M. President, who is one of the passengers on the Nijmegen, said that he hoped a Constellation service would be operating by the first week in October. The K.L.M. have planned seven services weekly from Amsterdam to Batavia via Cairo, Baghdad, Karachi, Bangkok and Singapore in 72 hours, with one service

to the project.

Special films will be taken of the expedition's discoveries in Africa.—Our Own Correspondent.

—Reuter.

Malaya Aids Ceylon

Singapore, June 7.

Several million colonial seeds from Malaya are to be flown to Ceylon in an aircraft owned by the Ceylon Government to rehabilitate the rubber industry on the island.

This follows the recent visit of a two-man rubber inquiry commission from Ceylon.

The despatch of a large consignment has already been be-

gun.

The Malayan rubber industry during 1947 is expected to bring into the country \$600,000,000, states the "Malayan Observer," published today by the Malayan Union Government.

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CONCENTRATION CAMP BREAK

Athens, June 7.

The harbour authorities at Piraeus, port of Athens, have been warned to look out for six Bulgarian political refugees said to have escaped in a boat from a concentration camp on the island of Syra of southeastern Greece.

The refugees are believed to be sailing towards the Turkish coast. The harbour authorities at Piraeus have ordered all other Greek ports to keep a watch for the boat.—Reuter.

—Reuter.

IT WENT WITH THE WIND

Piraeus, June 7.

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Bulgarian Frontier Dementi

Sofia, June 7.

The Bulgarian News Agency states that it has been authorized to deny reports attributed to the Greek News Agency about threats said to have been made by Bulgarian frontier guards to the United Nations sub-commission inquiring into guerrilla warfare in Greek frontier areas.

The Agency described as completely false the report that the Bulgarian frontier authorities had threatened to open fire on the sub-commission and added that exchanges between the sub-commission and the Bulgarian frontier authorities had been conducted with all the rules of international courtesy.

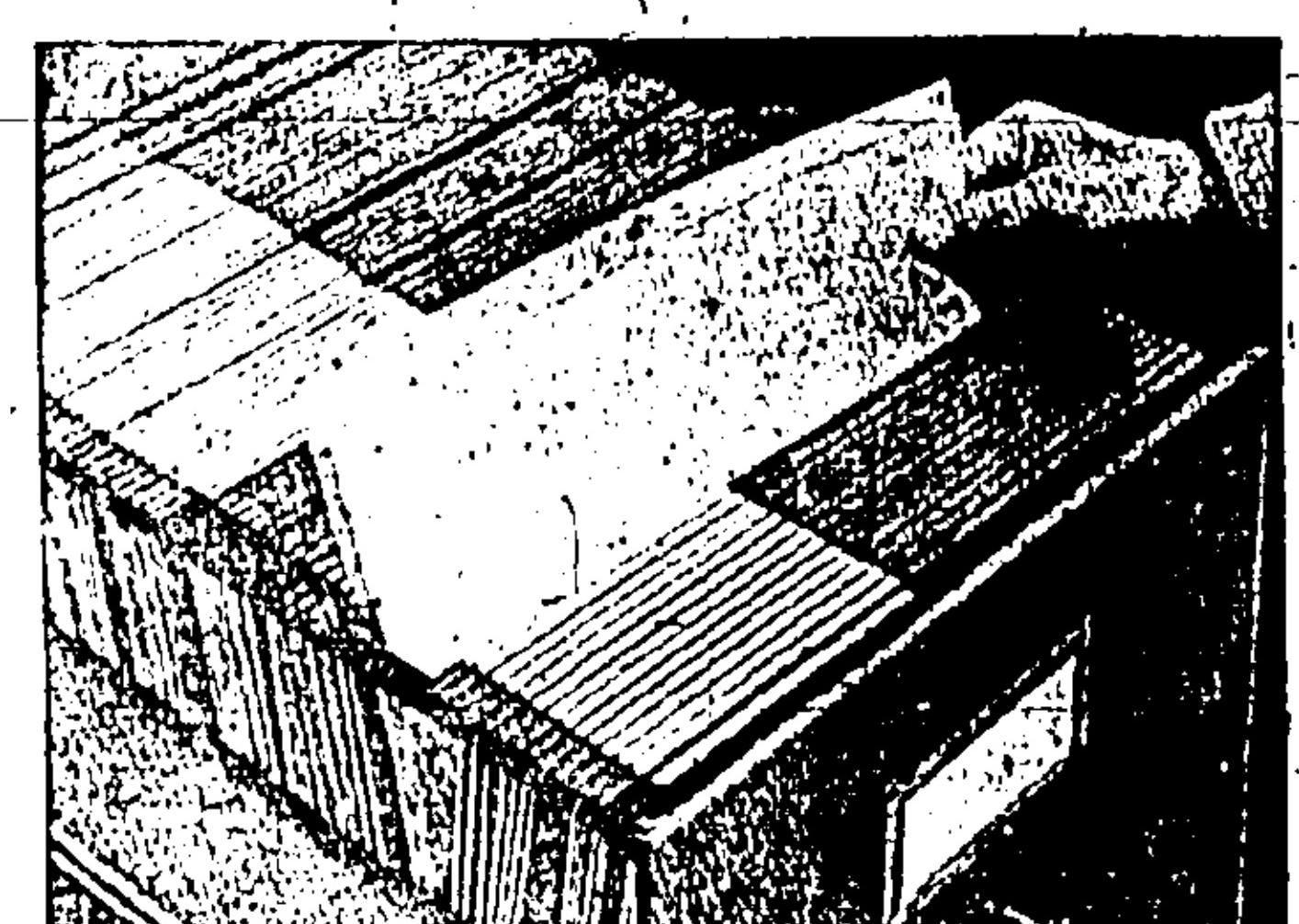
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discuss programme for the
forthcoming season.

R. A. BATES,
Hon. Secretary.

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

Notice is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at 18 Pedder Street (1st floor) Hong Kong on MONDAY the NINTH day of JUNE 1947, at NOON for the purpose of proposing and, if thought fit passing the subjoined resolutions as a special resolution, viz:—

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The attention of licensees of Commercial Motor Vehicles is drawn to the following Traffic Regulations:—

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(2) on change of ownership;

(3) once monthly.

The licensee and the driver of every commercial motor vehicle shall give such police officer all reasonable facilities for inspecting the vehicle and shall comply with his reasonable requirements.

(a) Article 17 shall be cancelled.

(b) In the third line of Article 71 the word "two" shall be substituted for the word "three".

(c) The following Article shall be substituted for Article 76.—"Subject to any special terms as to voting upon which any shares of the Company may have been issued or may for the time being held, upon a show of hands every member present in person shall have one vote, and upon a poll every member present in person or by proxy shall have one vote for every share held by him."

By Order of the Board,

R. G. CRAIG,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong,
Dated this Ninth day of May,
1947.

DEPARTMENT OF IMPORTS & EXPORTS

NOTICE

This department will be closed on Thursday, the 12th of June, 1947 for all purposes except for entry and clearance of ships' manifests between 9 a.m. and 10 a.m.

E. HIMSWORTH,
Superintendent,
Imports and Exports.

Hong Kong, 3rd June, 1947.

CAMBRIDGE SCHOOL LEAVING CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION.

The above Examination will be held in Hong Kong on Monday, 1st December, 1947. Entry forms can be obtained at the Education Office, 3rd floor, Windsor House. These forms should be completed and returned with the fee \$48 on or before 27th June, 1947.

T. R. ROWELL,
Director of Education.

Hong Kong, 2nd June, 1947.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

Notice is hereby given that the Forty-second Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, Windsor House, Mezzanine Floor, on Thursday 26th June, 1947, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1946; to sanction the declaration of a Dividend and Bonus and to re-elect Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 12th to 26th June, 1947, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

R. G. CRAIG,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 8th. May, 1947.

NOTICE

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REDUCTION OF CHARGES

As foreshadowed by the Chairman in his Speech at the Annual General Meeting on the 12th day of April 1947, the charges for current supplied from 1st July 1947 will be subject to the further following reductions:—

Lighting from 64 cents to 49 cents per unit.

Power from 25 cents to 20 cents per unit.

Proportionate reductions will be made in respect of lighting and power supplies in the New Territories, and the new rates will be charged for current consumed during the month of July 1947.

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BY ORDER OF THE BOARD
OF DIRECTORS,

P. W. A. WOOD,
Secretary & Chief Accountant.

Federal Centre For India?

New Delhi, June 7.
The union and provincial constitution committees of the Indian Constituent Assembly are believed here tonight to have decided at a joint meeting today that the future constitution of India should provide for a strong federal centre with residuary powers.

That would not affect the position of the Indian states which have already joined the Constituent Assembly and those which are expected to join in the near future.

It is understood that insofar as the states are concerned, their relations with the centre would be on the basis of the Cabinet Mission's plan—namely, they would surrender to the centre only the three subjects of foreign affairs, defence and communications.—Reuters.

Best Thing

New Delhi, June 7.
Mohandas K. Gandhi, at his prayer meeting this evening, said that while the All-India Congress Committee could refuse to ratify its Working Committee's acceptance of the British plan, the best thing it could do under the circumstances was to endorse the acceptance.

Gandhi said that Congress must represent the interests of every Indian.

"It cannot overlook the wishes of the Moslems by saying that they are for the Moslem League and opposed to Congress."

Earlier today, Gandhi said that though he did not like accepting the British plan, he had done so because "there are so many things one has to accept or tolerate, things to which one is opposed."—Reuters.

To Resist

New Delhi, June 7.
It was learned reliably tonight that Viceroy Viscount Mountbatten has called for the resignation of all members of the present interim cabinet, as soon as the plan for participation comes into effect.

It was also learned that Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and his colleagues will attend negotiations early next week to enable the central cabinet to be divided into two cabinets for the Pakistan and Hindustan areas before the end of June.

The action will reduce the present central cabinet to the position of a caretaker government.

At the same time it was learned that neither Nehru nor Mohammed Ali Jinnah is expected to serve on the "Super Committee" to deal with the division of India's liabilities and national assets. Dr. Rajendra Prasad was expected to be appointed in Nehru's place.—United Press.

Mrs. Roosevelt Urges Caution

New York, June 7.

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, in her daily column today, urged more caution in dealing with the Hungarian coup. Alluding obviously to Sen. Vandenberg, she wrote: "I wish that he might be a little more temperate, even in speeches made in the Senate."

Sen. Billings continued: "Kings are made for their peoples, it is not people who are made for their kings. Neither hate nor passion could make a single line in this law."

Reply To Juan

"The Chamber proposes a peace-loving regime which shall be guaranteed as far as possible against the danger of revolution."

In an obvious reply to Don Juan's statement that he would only accept unconditional powers from General Franco, Sen. Billings told the Chamber: "The word 'unconditional' cannot be used regarding the transfer of powers because that is the language used by absolute monarchs."

Sen. Billings further told the Chamber: "Spain has no other chief than General Franco and the monarchy will have to return in agreement with General Franco or it will not return."

The Chamber President was the only speaker on the motion. When he finished speaking, he asked: "Does the House approve the law?"

A Referendum

The members rose to their feet, shouting "SI" (Yes) and broke into cheers for General Franco, which lasted some minutes.

Don Juan's supporters in Madrid issued a statement tonight saying that the Monarchs did not recognise the new law.

In Government circles it was confidently expected that General Franco will submit the su-

GERMAN DEMANDS TO ALLIES Bold Requests By State Premiers Unthinkable Six Months Ago

Munich, June 7.

Two years after the war, Germany, represented by a conference of democratically-elected State Premiers, formulated yesterday a series of demands for presentation to the victor powers which were remarkable alike for their boldness and comprehensiveness.

The demands were contained in resolutions drawn up at a conference of Premiers of the British, United States and French zones. The Russian delegates left before the conference opened because it was ruled that the question of German political unity should not be discussed.

The problem covered by the resolutions include food, the coal industry, denazification and relations between the occupying powers with special reference to international communications while promising the greatest efforts to mobilise German resources to remedy the economic life of the country.

The resolutions made outspoken demands on the Allies which would have been unthinkable even six months ago. Gandhi said that Congress must represent the interests of every Indian.

"It cannot overlook the wishes of the Moslems by saying that they are for the Moslem League and opposed to Congress."

Earlier today, Gandhi said that though he did not like accepting the British plan, he had done so because "there are so many things one has to accept or tolerate, things to which one is opposed."—Reuters.

War Rumours

The conference also undoubtedly hoped that German opinion would be favourably impressed by the resolutions and therefore not be unduly disturbed by the walk-out of the Premiers from the Russian zone.

This has already had the effect of reviving war rumours which recur periodically upon any provocation.

Although the public was sceptical of the value of the eastern zone's Premier's participation in the conference, their abrupt departure was generally interpreted as marking its failure.

The delegates, however, used the opportunity to present the boldest demands to the Allies.

Apple Of Discord

It should not be overlooked that internal politics have played an important part in the drafting of the resolutions and that the conference is anxious to make a good showing in view of the vehement campaign

Siemens have been engaged, included the Vienna Philharmonic, which will be heard in three concerts under Bruno Walter. The others are the Hall Orchestra under John Barbirolli; the Liverpool Philharmonic under Dr. Malcolm Sargent; the Orchestra Colonne of Paris under Paul Paray; the Scottish Orchestra and the BBC's Scottish Orchestra.

A new chamber music ensemble consisting of Arthur Schnabel, Joseph Szigeti, William Primrose and Pierre Fournier will make its debut.

Lotte Lehmann will give a recital of Brahms Lieder, accompanied at the piano by Bruno

Walter. Todd Duncan, American negro bass, will be heard in a recital of spirituals, and the Glyndebourne Opera Company will present Mozart's "Marriage of Figaro" and Verdi's "Macbeth" in a season of three weeks.

The drama will be represented by the Old Vic Company and Louis Jouvet's Company from Paris. The Sadler's Wells Company will do two weeks of ballet, and exhibitions of art and industry, flower shows, dancing, singing, lectures and film shows also are scheduled.—United Press.

CONFERENCE IN CANBERRA

Canberra, June 8.

United States Ambassador Robert Butler and Admiral Louis E. Denfeld, Commander of the United States Naval Forces in the Pacific, arrived by plane for important conferences with Australian officials.

Butler told a news conference that he and Denfeld would meet on Monday with Prime Minister Chifley and the Australian Cabinet. He declined to say whether the purpose of the meeting was to draft an agreement about Manus Island.—Associated Press.

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New Delhi, June 7.<br

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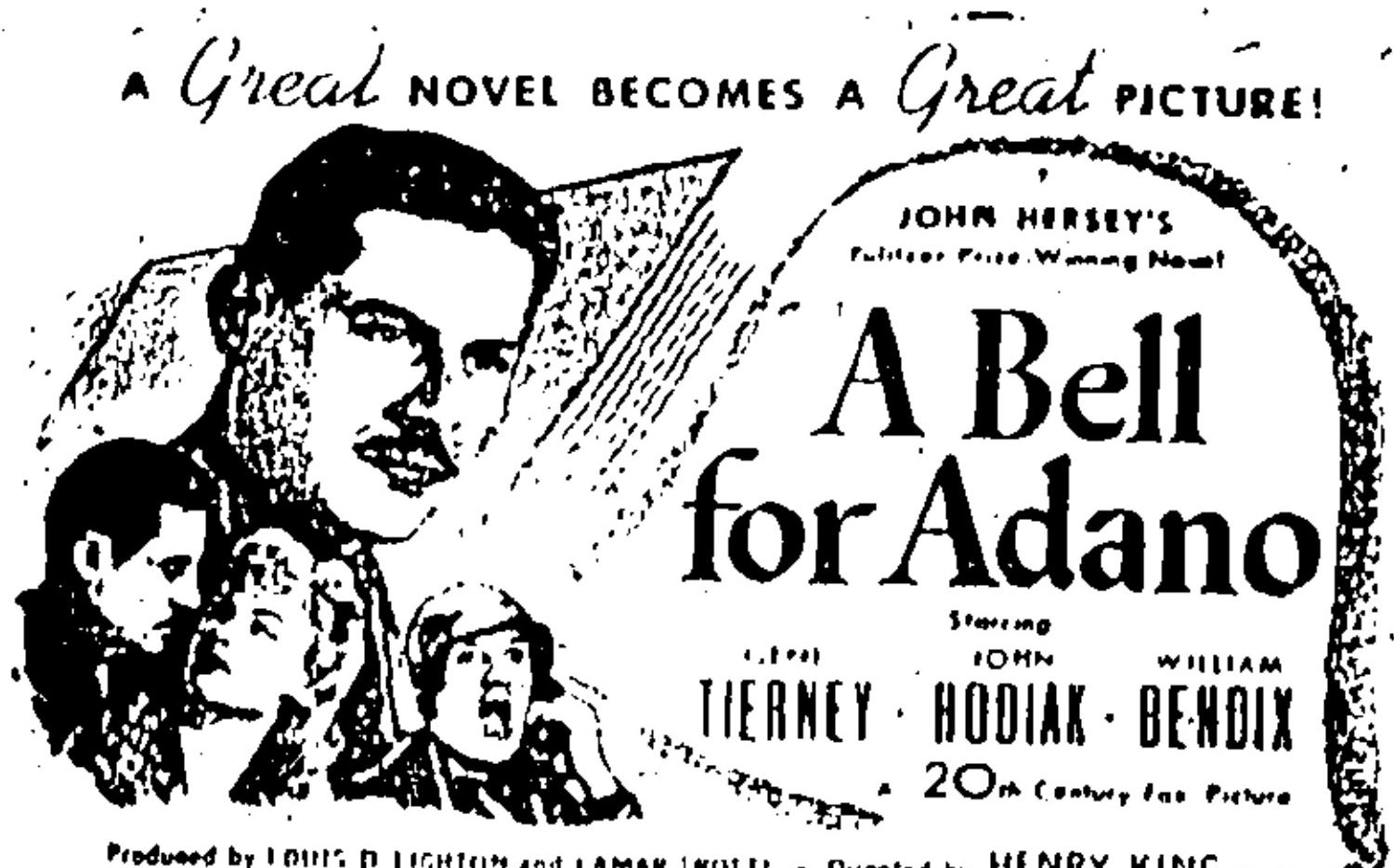
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CRISIS IN BRITISH POLICY

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Key-Note Of U.S. Protest Note

Hungary To Be The Crucial Test?

London, June 7. The United States draft note to Hungary, which is still being studied in the Foreign Office, has forced a crisis in British policy towards central and eastern Europe as a whole.

Soviet influence on this area appears to have entered a new phase with the complete reconstruction of the Hungarian Government, the arrest of the Bulgarian opposition leader, Nikola Peshkov, of the Yugoslav opposition leader Yovanovich and of many members of the opposition parties in Rumania.

Diplomatic observers in London believe that these moves are part of the Soviet plan to consolidate the position of the pro-Soviet elements in those countries before the coming into force of the Balkan peace treaties, which entail the evacuation of large numbers of Red Army troops.

The decision Britain now has to take is whether to put up a real fight against what is seen here as a gross infringement of civil and democratic liberties or, on the other hand, to make a formal protest.

A Pointer

The decision on the United States draft note to Hungary will be pointed to in the future British attitude to the whole area.

The United States, in threatening to break the Hungarian neutrality, attempts to carry on its policy of retaining control in Europe beyond purely formal boundaries.

If this line is endorsed by Britain in the case of Hungary, it is difficult to see how less vigorous action could be taken in support of the Bulgarian opposition, whether or not Britain decides to send to Moscow an exact copy and simultaneous note on the Hungarian situation.

Usually well informed quarters here believe that London and Washington will move closely in step. Further consultations are expected between the State Department and the Foreign Office before the next approach is made to the Soviet authorities. — Reuter.

U.S. Note

Washington, June 7. A certain "toning down" of the proposed United States note to the Soviet authorities on the recent developments in Hungary is expected to result from comments that British officials are being asked to make on the note before it is sent, responsible diplomatic authorities said here today.

In accordance with the British views, it is believed that stress would be laid on the desirability of creating a Three-Power commission of inquiry which would carry out a complete investigation of the political conditions in Hungary.

This does not mean that the note will not be firm, but it was generally agreed that full facts about the recent developments in Budapest were not known and that, until they are, or until investigation into them was, refused, it would be unwise to reach any final conclusions.

A State Department spokesman said today that the note had not yet been sent and he was unable to say when it would go.

When it does go, however, it is expected that a similar British note will be sent.

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BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES



DEATH OF SGT. HANNAH, VC.

Leicester, June 7. Mr. John Hannah, the youngest RAF man to gain the Victoria Cross, Britain's highest military decoration, has died near here today of tuberculosis.

He won the Cross in September 1940, when he was 18, for single-handedly putting out a fire in a blazing workshop with thousands of rounds of ammunition exploding around him. — Reuter.

alleged in the purported confession of Bela Kovacs.

One official said the "only Hungarian troops in our Zone are units which we have unsuccessfully sought to repatriate to Hungary. Such repatriations have been blocked by Russia."

Meanwhile, Foreign Office sources said the "confession" to plot against the Hungarian Government and the Russians issued in Budapest today in no way fulfilled the Anglo-American demands for documentary proof of such a conspiracy.

The Foreign Office spokesman and the British request, similar to the one by the United States for proof of the Russian allegation, that a plot caused the Soviet coup in Hungary, did not concern the purported confession alone. Russia is obliged to fill the request under the terms of the Allied Control Council agreement which was drafted largely by the Soviet representative, the spokesman said.

Meanwhile, Premier Petru Groza of Rumania arrived in Yugoslavia today to see Marshal Tito in another move strengthening the interlocked relations among the Soviet influenced Balkan countries.

Lieutenant General V. P. Sviridov, Soviet commander in Hungary, is also understood to have visited Belgrade within the past two days. The connection, if any, between his and Groza's visits is not clear. — United Press.

Tsingtao, June 8. Chinese press reports said today that the United States naval authorities and the Chinese police yesterday jointly arrested a large blackmarketing gang, including an undisclosed number of American servicemen for the theft of 90 cases of Lucky Strike cigarettes and 91 cases of canned goods. — United Press.

Nanking, June 8. The spokesman of the Ministry of Finance announced today that the government has decided to postpone indefinitely the floating of short-term interest treasury notes. — United Press.

M. Nagy's Version

Geneva, June 7. In an eight-page written statement to the press today, Ferenc Nagy gave a chronological account of developments leading up to his recent resignation while he was on vacation in Switzerland.

Nagy stressed he had refused

to submit his letter of resignation until the Hungarian Government

sent his small son Imre to Switzerland. He charged the official Hungarian news agency announced his resignation before he had handed it in officially.

Nagy's statement, in denying

the accusations that he participated in the conspiracy, pointed out

his active role as resistance leader

in creating the Hungarian Republic. He said "If there was a

conspiracy it was not by me but

against me."

He also denied reports that his

daughter Julika, who came to

Switzerland several months ago,

had married Kolomon Salanta

who fled from Hungary after he

was implicated in the conspiracy

disclosed at the end of last year.

Nagy's statement said on May 29 "my secretary told me that Lieutenant General Sviridov had

replied to my request for the release of Bela Kovacs, former

secretary of my party, held in

military custody by the Russians.

Sviridov refused this request and

enclosed a record of Kovacs's in-

terrogation in which some points

compromised me."

The former Hungarian Minis-

ter reported that on May 29 he

telephoned President Zoltan

Tildy and asked him what was

going on at home. Tildy reques-

ted me to return immediately as

things could still be arranged.

I assured him that that would come

without delay and that all accusa-

tions directed against me, what-

ever they contained, were unfound." — United Press.

South Africa To Support Jewish Case

Johannesburg, June 8.

The political correspondent of the "Sunday Express" reported that Premier Jan Christian Smuts had instructed the Union of South Africa's UNO delegate, T. T. Andrews, to support the Jewish case in Palestine.

He said Smuts told Andrews to advocate settlement of the Palestine issue in favour of the Jews even if it meant conflicting with the Anglo-American attitude at the next regular session of the UNO in September.

The South African Government also feels he said, that active steps should be taken to rehabilitate displaced Jews in Europe. — Associated Press.

Help Wanted

BY EDGAR MARTIN

Portuguese Industrialist Charged

Lisbon, June 8. Another leading Portuguese industrialist was jailed on charges of crimes against the national economy.

The arrest of Antonio Lourenco Alves, partner and managing director of the Companhia Laticifícios de Arrentela, brought to 13 the number of financiers and businessmen awaiting trial.

Their activities, still being investigated by the police, are concerned with hoarding and profiteering. Alves was charged with having distributed woolen cloth at prices exceeding the official prices. He claimed the cloth was produced from a higher grade material than that on which the official price is based. — Associated Press.

FOURTH TIME LUCKY

New York, June 7. The Transworld Airways plane taking the Secretariat members of the United Nations Palestine Commission to Lydda, Palestine, left La Guardia Airport, New York, at 3:30 p.m. today after being forced back on three previous attempts as a result of mechanical trouble.

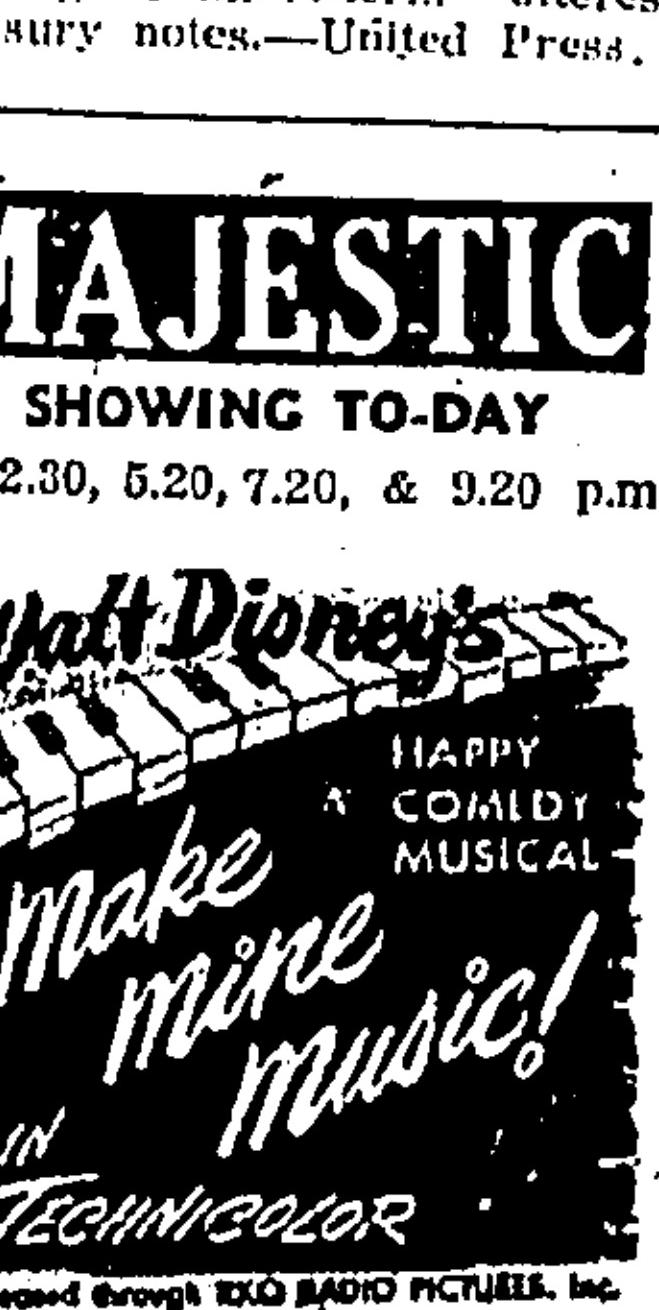
Among the passengers was Moshe Sherok, member of the Executive of the Jewish Agency for Palestine. — Reuter.

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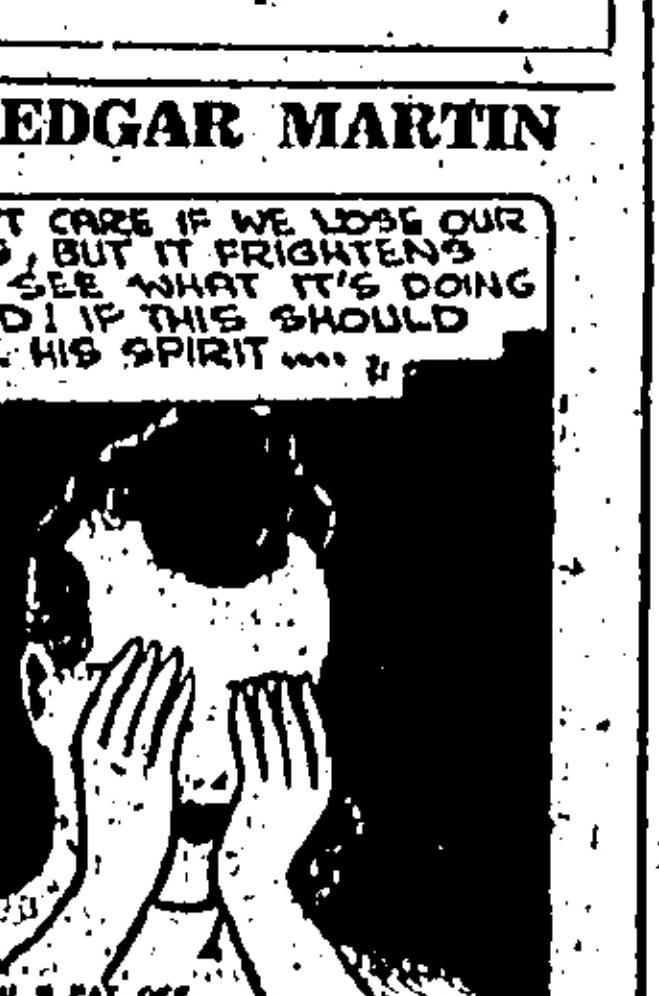
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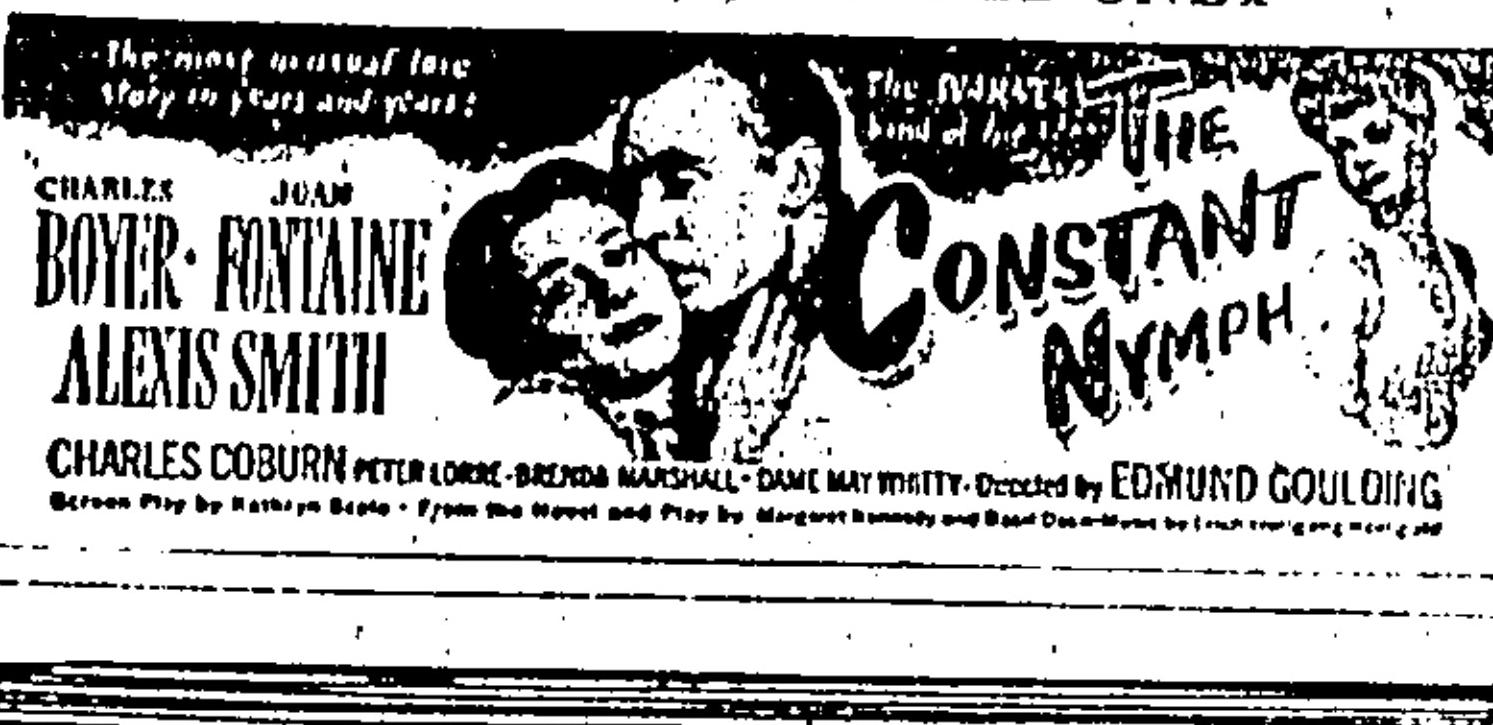
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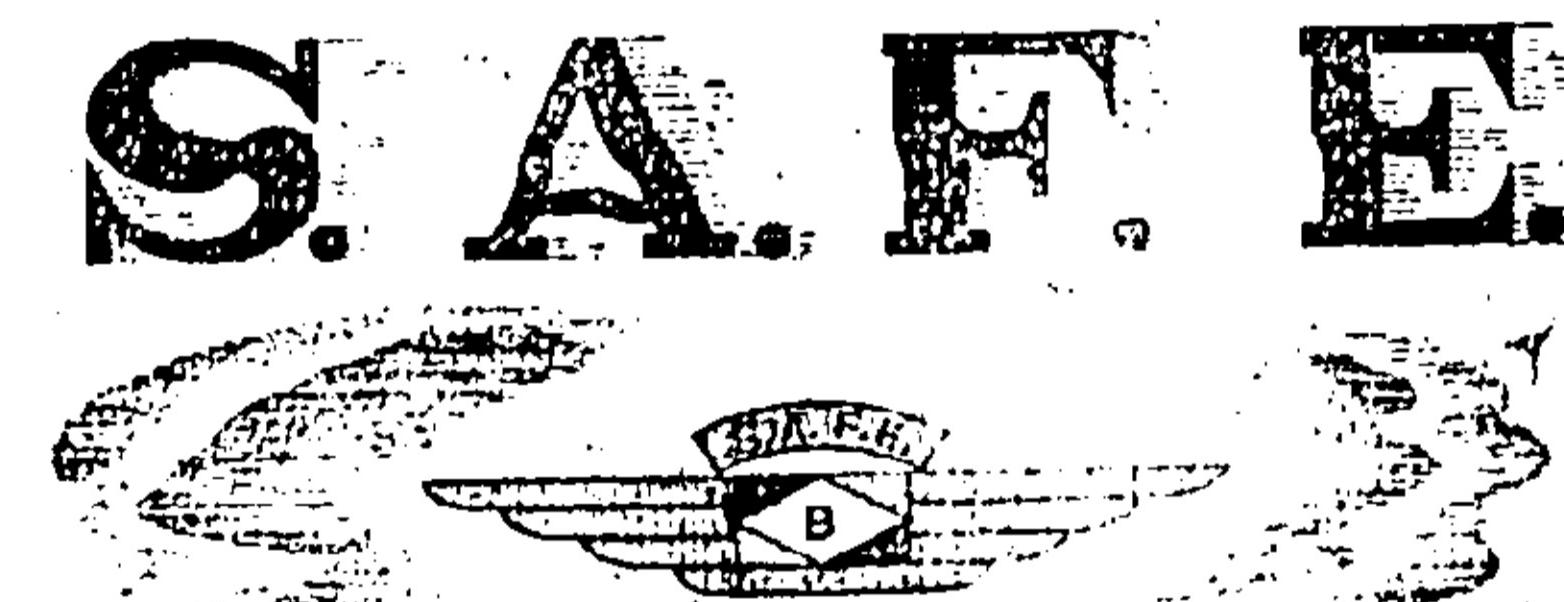
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GENERAL
MARSHALL'S
ADVANTAGES

Secretary of State George C. Marshall has three advantages in negotiating with the Russians, as compared with his predecessor, James E. Byrnes. First of all, though he lacks the subtlety and experience of Mr. Byrnes, he is built on an altogether larger scale. The other two advantages are the result of time.

The last six months have seen two immense developments in American public opinion. The first of these is that the people of the United States have definitely made up their minds on the Russian issue. There is no one waiting to strike General Marshall in the back as Mr. Wallace sought to do in the case of Mr. Byrnes. In this sense, Mr. Wallace's speeches have cleared the air and permitted a healthy and overwhelming concentration of public opinion behind the policy of "patience and firmness." The greatest weakness of democratic countries is that their leaders, even when they know what ought to be done, often dare not do it because of a confused state of public opinion. But on this issue there can be no doubt. The latest Gallup Poll shows that only 5 per cent of the nation considers that the United States has gone too far in opposing Russian aims. The second improvement in American public opinion from which General Marshall can profit has not yet been entirely achieved but is in the process of rapid crystallization. For some time now, Americans have realized that their country is overwhelmingly the strongest power in the world. But many observers have wondered whether the American people were willing that their leaders should accept the responsibilities which accompany such power. All trends incline towards an affirmative answer. While it is open to an Englishman to regret that the British Government should have abdicated from the leadership that once was Britain's it is encouraging to know that the United States is increasingly ready, however late in the day, to accept the leadership of all-free men and women everywhere.

General Marshall shows that he is a good politician as well as a good diplomat by the note of caution and even of pessimism that he strikes. Nothing is more mischievous and foolish than the activities of those public men who seek to delude and titillate the public with extravagant ideas of the results likely to be obtained at an international conference. It is far better, as General Marshall has done, to strike a sombre note. Then, if everything goes badly, no one can complain that they were deceived by false hopes. If, on the other hand, genuine success should be obtained, the public, not having expected it, will applaud it all the more.

Many players of duplicate bridge have developed a very bad habit which they practice during the post-mortem after a deal has been played. It consists of taking some other player's hand out of the board—usually their partner's—in order to figure out something in connection with the bidding or play. In doing so, they risk mixing up the hands, thus jeopardizing the rights of others in the game. Sooner or later the Laws will have to legislate more strongly against this growing evil, often perpetrated by veterans who should know better.

Paris, June 7.
The French Government has proposed to Abd El Krim, former Moroccan leader now in Cairo, that his mother's remains be either buried in the Moslem cemetery attached to the Paris Mosque or transferred to Cairo.

Abd El Krim left a coffin behind him at Port Said when he unexpectedly landed there last week from the ship which was taking him to France, after 21 years of exile on Reunion Island in the Indian Ocean.

Before she died, his mother asked to be buried in the Rif hills of her native Morocco—the scene of her son's battles with the French and Spanish armies from 1921 to 1926.

A HONG KONG LETTER
FROM THE PAST

A "letter from the past," in which Hong Kong is described as being "now a large town of 10,000 Chinese and 200 English, besides the troops 2,000 strong and shipping," is published in the "North China Daily News."

The letter is in the possession of Mr. E. H. Spence, an old member of the Shanghai community, and was written by his great-great-grandfather, Mr. Patrick Chalmers, who sailed for China 103 years ago in a China clipper.

The rice was not apparently in the outward trip, for Chalmers took a matter of four months to reach China. The Suez Canal had not been cut and his route took him along the South American coast, then past the Cape of Good Hope, round by Singapore, and thence to Hongkong and Canton.

The long voyage passed as long voyages did in those days with not a great deal to do save to strain every effort to escape boredom.

How The Days Were Filled.

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Rents

"The situation is confined,

the only open spaces near being the garden of the English factory, a place large enough

to play at quoits and skittles,

and that of the American factory, about four times as large.

There are one or two behind,

but those being only some 6

feet wide, and crowded, do not afford an agreeable promenade.

In our hong, Mingin's, there

are some 3 or 4 more such sets

of chambers as ours, inhabited

by English houses—ours is in

the centre, the quietest, berth

rent 1400 dollars, about £320

p. annum, enormously high, but

we may be thankful to get a

place at all.

"In the evenings we have

whilst, the captain, the doctor

and myself, the captain and I

taking dummy alternately. At

sea as on shore, I may mention,

we pass the night in sleeping—

and thus I have endeavoured to

account for the 24 hours with

little variation.

"The vicar department has

been on rather a shabby scale,

the captain as I find, being a

confounded screw, and saves

every sixteenpenny he can in his

meals and liquors, though there

is no want on board, but he can

sell his surplus to great ad-

vantage in China, and so we

are scrimped of all ready worth

having. But all has gone agree-

ably, and I have not heard

since an angry word on board

—he is a pleasant enough man

on the whole, only requiring

his way humoured a little."

The rest of the letter relates

to the writer's impressions of

China. It reads:—

Canton, Sept. 22, 1844.

"We arrived at Hong Kong on

the 16th inst., after a passage of 118 days, amongst the quickest

generally going. James Park

and I have strangely enough

arrived on the same dates

—our ground gone over has

been much further than usual,

being 1700 miles while 15, or

even 1400 is the general pas-

sage. Our sailing have averaged

six knots the hour—very quick.

"I spent a few days at Hong

Kong, which from being a few

Chinese huts, is now a large

town of 10,000 Chinese and

some 200 English, besides the

troops 2,000 strong and ship-

ping. The bay has a fine ap-

pearance—the merchants' houses

are large and commodious,

but very expensive, one under

£1,000 cost besides a

pair of servants."

"Enormously High"

mode. This goes off tomorrow

or next day, and I must cut it

short now, having to give up

my idle life and mind the where-

about to gain my daily bread,

which will cost not a little in this

expensive quarter. The weather,

they say, has been very hot here;

and they call this a hot day.

For my part, I will get the healthier,

"I shipped myself on board a

small schooner to this, about

100 miles, and had a tedious

passage of 2 days, the worst

of which was that my luggage

was by mistake in another boat,

and I got neither soap, shave

nor change for 3 days, arriving

here in savage condition last

night, but thankful to get my

Labour's "Brutal Frankness"

Leamington, June 2.
Anthony Eden, former Foreign Secretary, "criticised" the Labour Party today for "brutal frankness" toward the Soviet Union and "patronising criticism" of the United States.

Referring to the Party's new interpretation of foreign policy in the pamphlet entitled "Cards On The Table," Mr. Eden said, "With its brutal frankness towards the Soviet Union with its patronising criticism of the United States and with its wholly unwarlike attacks on the Conservative Party, it is surely a remarkable example of a new method of diplomacy, by universal assent."

"Cards On The Table" accused Russia of anti-British propaganda "the." It included a government lie to face," As a critical analysis of United Associated Press.



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MOSCOW REPROACHES BRITAIN "Hiding The Truth About Soviet Relations"

Friendliness Of Mutual Benefit

Moscow, June 7.
British foreign policy makers were accused today by the Russian influential political journal "New Times" of "following—slavishly—in the train of the world's—especially American—monopolists and hiding the truth about Soviet relations from the British public."

In a detailed editorial analysis the journal saw Britain's present course as "diametrically opposed to the expressed desire for strengthening Anglo-Soviet ties." But, it added, it was the real desire of the British working class and democratic circles to see Britain "among the progressive democratic countries in the role of defender of peace and not as a servant of American reaction."

"Interference in the affairs of other peoples, violation of the sovereignty of other states in order to support the forces of reaction, moral and material support for Fascist and Fascist-like regimes as in Spain and Greece, orientation with a bloc with new pretensions for world domination such a policy does not answer the interests of democracy nor the task of building a secure peace."

"There are no irreconcilable conflicts between Great Britain and the Soviet Union," the journal concluded. "Cooperation between them is necessary and possible. Development of friendly relations between the two countries will serve their mutual benefit."

Serving Two Masters?

The journal implied that the way towards reaching the new 50-year Anglo-Soviet agreement did not lie in the direction of siding with the United States or being in opposition to the Soviet Union.

"As long as British foreign policy travels along this road it will inevitably enter into conflict with the declaration about the wish to strengthen Anglo-Soviet relations," the journal said.

"It is impossible simultaneously to serve two masters—the cause of peace and democracy on the one hand and the striving of the British and American monopoly for world hegemony on the other."

Just Demand

Asserting that the British Government "refuses to take upon itself the obligation not to participate in any bloc directed against the Soviet Union, that Britain, signing an agreement of friendship with our country, should not participate in any bloc hostile to us, in no way excludes

ed.—United Press.

CALL TO WORKERS

Moscow, June 8.
"Pravda" today called on the working classes of Europe to band together to defeat Rightist and bourgeois political parties. In a lengthy article by Boris Ponomaryev, the Communist Party organ said:

"As a result of advances in the masses the Communists and Social Democrats have received enormous prestige in an overwhelming majority of European countries."

"The Communists, faithful followers of the unity of the workers' movement and democratic forces, have proposed as a necessary condition in the struggle with reaction the creation of a bloc of anti-Fascist parties to achieve victory at elections and form coalition Governments."

"In many countries, primarily Poland, Rumania, Bulgaria, Yugoslav, Hungary and Czechoslovakia, the Social Democrats and peasant parties have followed this path and are actively cooperating with the Communists and large scale democratic organisations are being successively realised."

Bourgeois Reaction

"In Britain and Norway labour Governments are in power; in Sweden the Social Democrats have existed for over 10 years. In France, Belgium, Austria and a number of others the Social Democrats occupy important posts in the Government.... only the Soviet Union freed the peoples of western Europe and returned to them their democratic freedoms."

"These lessons cannot be cast aside. They cannot be forgotten. "Pravda" said unity in the struggle against "bourgeois reaction" was most important. It said: "Bourgeois reaction in a majority of European countries does not at present have sufficient force, strength nor opportunity to oppose the working classes if

attacking what it called "monopoly capital," "Pravda" said: "It can give the masses nothing but endless war, constantly repeating economic crises and uncertainty."—Associated Press.

London Dearer Than New York

London, June 7.
The United Press went shopping today and found that a dollar's worth of food, clothing or furniture in New York costs \$1.37 in London.

Armed with current copies of New York newspaper advertisements, correspondents set out to price item by item goods offered in display ads. No deliberate selection of goods was made and as many items as were available in London shops duplicating as closely as possible those to be had in New York, were priced.

When the prices were toted up the London average was 37 percent more than in New York.

Sainsbury's, one of London's largest chain grocers, provided most of the prices used to compare food costs with those listed in weekend advertisements of A and P, the large American supermarket chain. The result surprised even Londoners, who believed their carefully controlled and subsidized prices were cheaper than in the United States.

It was found that a dollar's worth of food in New York costs \$1.16 in London.

R. H. Blake, an official of Selfridge's, American-founded London department store, threw up his hands at the prospect of matching American prices.

Item after item of women's clothing advertisements

ROUTINE ORDERS

Vienna, June 7.
An indication that the British authorities here expect the British troops will have left Austria before the end of this year, was given in today's British Army "routine orders".

The orders stated that six months notice is required for the marriage of a British soldier to a foreign national, no more such applications will be accepted after June 16 owing to the probability of the British evacuation within six months from that date.—Reuter.

Red Army Sneers At D-Day

London, June 7.
Regret at the tone of an article published on the third anniversary of Invasion Day in Tagliche Rundschau, described as a Red Army newspaper in the Soviet zone of Berlin, which belittled the activities of the British forces in the assault on the Normandy beaches, was expressed by a Foreign Office spokesman in London today.

Berlin, June 7.

The local Soviet Army newspaper Tagliche Rundschau today accused the British occupation authorities of erecting an iron curtain by barring Soviet correspondents from their zone by demanding sterling payments for services furnished. The Army organ said requiring pound payments was merely an "excuse" to keep Russians out.

British public relations officers replied that all Allied representatives, including Americans and British, must pay for facilities furnished by the British Army in pound sterling script and that the Russians are not being discriminated against. A similar situation prevails in the American Zone with dollar script.

Russian Zone tours for British and American correspondents have thus far been without charge insofar as Soviet-furnished services are concerned.

He said that this was characteristic of the article, which, in common with Soviet film and an earlier article which appeared in the Soviet press, attempted to make little of the British war effort.

He added that these articles were in striking contrast with the terms of the Order of Day issued soon after Invasion Day.

Agreement was also reached on two questionnaires to be issued to Koreans on the structure and political platform of the "provisional government."

The questionnaires will be distributed after June 9.—Reuter.

Though there is little new in the tone of the article in Tagliche Rundschau, the incident may have more serious consequences than on the previous occasions since this appears to be the first time when such an article has been permitted to be printed in a German-language paper.

It is considered probable that the British authorities will investigate the circumstances in which the article was published.—Reuter.

RAIL SIGNALMEN ARRESTED

Kansas City, June 7.
President Truman today marched once more at the head of the field artillery battery he led in World War I.

The Chief Executive received an ovation from an estimated 50,000 Kansas City onlookers as he rode at the head of the 35th Division parade, flanked by 40 marching members of his old battery.

Then a mile from the Liberty Memorial shaft where he was scheduled to review the marching units, he stepped from his car to the surprise of secret service men—and for the last mile, he marched at the head of his outfit.—United Press.

English Manners Awful!

York, June 8.

J. G. Bridges, general director of the Travel Association of Great Britain, said today that English manners are deteriorating deplorably.

He suggested a remedy to point out to tourists "politely but firmly" that their manners are awful.

"No one likes to be told that his manners are bad, and maybe a little frank telling would stop the nuisance," he said at a public meeting.

Despite the state of manners, England will have many visitors this summer, Bridges said. Shortages, he said, will make no difference to tourists.—Associated Press.

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WORLD TRADE WITH JAPAN

Plan To Work Within Two Months?

Tito Woos Rumanian Premier

Belgrade, June 8. Speeches and newspaper comment with which Prime Minister Petru Groza of Rumania was greeted on his arrival here on Saturday on a visit of friendship, clearly indicated that he is receiving a bid to bring Rumania within the framework of the "Slav bloc." For the first time in their history there may be a possibility of cooperation economically, politically and culturally between Yugoslavia and Rumania.

Racially and in language the two countries never before have found any basis for friendly cooperation. Both Marshal Tito and Groza expressed desire bring their two governments into what they called "complete" understanding of the aims of the democratic peoples in the Danube Basin and the Balkans. Associated Press.

The War, State, Commerce and Treasury Departments and other branches of the government have completed plans with General Douglas MacArthur for trade revival. "Obviously it cannot be a complete return to private trade," says Lieutenant General George Eberle, who headed an American group which has just returned from Japan. "But it is a big step in that direction." The Allies are expected to announce details of the plan within a few days.

Prime Objectives

Just what nations will be permitted to participate and to what extent are expected to be among the things determined. It can be said that those nations which can contribute most to the objectives of the occupation may be expected to receive first consideration in the trade revival.

Prime objectives are getting needed raw materials into Japan and exports to those who can use them the Empire can produce and pay for them in money or materials that will further still import Japan's comback. United States firms interested in buying or selling in Japan long have been wanting to get their representatives back on Japanese soil.

U.S. Predominant

Obviously the United States will play a prominent part in the scheduled reopening of the Empire. From what other nations the commercial men will remain to be divided. But the United States will have no monopoly. How many traders from the designated nations will be acceptable to General MacArthur is another important factor. Now one or two hotels in every major Japanese city are expected to set aside for commercial visitors for limited times.

This hoped-for Japanese trade revival should go far toward solving Allied problems concerning the Empire. Coupled with the gradual economic solution of the reparations problem, it marks the greatest Allied progress with regard to Japan since Tokyo surrendered. Associated Press.

New York, June 8. Columbia University, saying that it expects the resumption

Talks On Indonesia

The Hague, June 7. The departure for the United States of Dr. N. Hirschfeld and Dr. H. L. K. Van Vredenburch, adviser to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and head of the department for political affairs, respectively, has caused considerable speculation here.

The Hague newspaper "Nieuwe Courant," which reported the officials' departure to the United States, says that the object of their journey is to depict the difficulties in which the Dutch find themselves in. The newspaper concludes by saying that this is due to the attitude of the Republican Government of Indonesia, and to obtain promises of support should the Netherlands try to realize the Linggadjati agreement in another way. Reuter.

New Trade Agreement

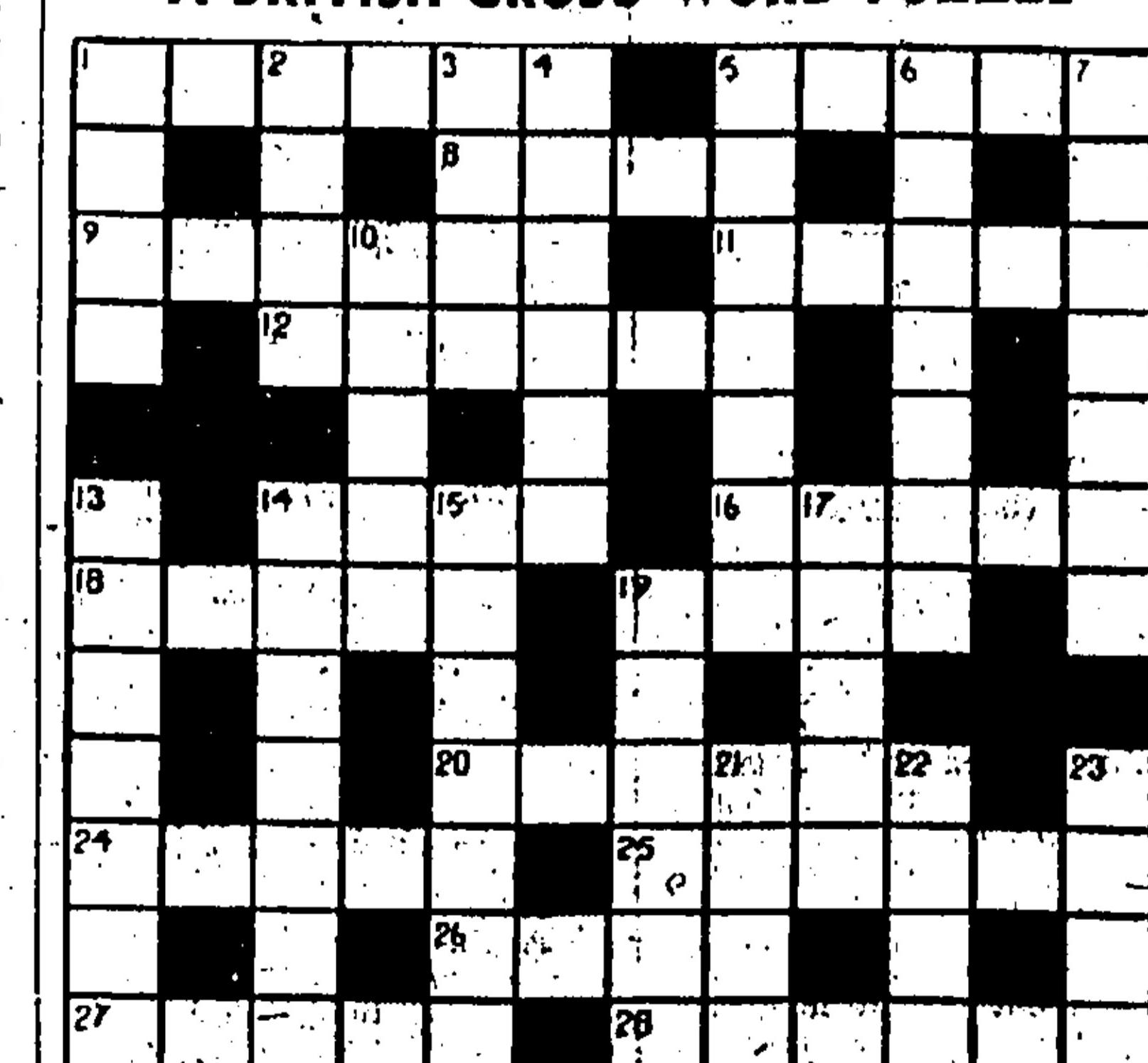
The Hague, June 7. Bulgaria will be able to place shipbuilding orders in the Netherlands under the Dutch-Bulgarian trade agreement, once it is ratified.

The agreement was signed in Paris on June 4, and will make available to Holland, Bulgarian wood, bauxite, pyrites, opium, mica, tobacco and fruit pulp. In return, Bulgaria will get radios, medical supplies, chemical products, rubber and other commodities. Associated Press.

The agreement is to run for one year. Reuter.

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A BRITISH CROSS WORD PUZZLE



Clues Across

- 1. Dog. 10. Mass of ice.
- 2. Indefinite. 11. National.
- 3. Grant. 12. Highly pleased.
- 4. Pertaining to the teeth. 13. Applaud.
- 5. Din. 14. Serene.
- 6. Straightforward. 15. Behind time.
- 7. Worry. 16. Vigorous.
- 8. Extent. 17. Ornamental shop.
- 9. Experiment. 18. Head-dress.
- 10. Unoemo.

Saturday's Crossword

Across: 1. Sinks; 4. Editor; 8. Down: 1. Solid; 2. Negro; 3. Silver; 5. Drag; 6. Terror; 7. Risked; 9. Deserts; 11. Repeal; 12. Diocese; 17. Pose; 18. Entered; 20. Deplore; 22. Rail; 23. Twisted; 27. Renewed; 16. Idea; 18. Cellar; 19. Scold; 20. Drunks; 31. Piracy; 22. Ideal; 25. Trait; 26. Deter; 28. Idol.

Clues Down

- 1. Fashion. 14. Digits.
- 2. Tea. 15. Advanced.
- 3. Wound. 16. In years.
- 4. Choose. 17. Equipped.
- 5. Dare. 18. with weapons.
- 6. Plotting. 19. Brags.
- 7. Came into view. 21. Abound.
- 8. Extent. 22. Crazy.
- 9. Ornamental shop. 23. Gaiety.
- 10. Experiment. 24. Head-dress.
- 11. Unoemo.

ZURICH FOREIGN EXCHANGES

Zurich, June 7. Zurich on London 17.95. New York 4.30. Paris 3.02. Brussels 0.81. Amsterdam 1.02.00. Lisbon 1.42. Buenos Aires 140.00. Stockholm 130.00. Madrid 20.75. Reuter.

British Newsmen Object

Washington, June 8.

The Allies appear on the eve of a definite move to reopen war-torn Japan to world trade and the beginning of economic self-sufficiency. The long discussed programme to get Japanese industry and commerce moving again on a global basis is expected to be working again in two months.

Prime objective is to give the Japanese people encouragement help in their efforts to support themselves and to lighten the financial burden of occupation on the Allies, principally the United States.

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A University spokesman said that learning to write Japanese characters and Kana would be disregarded in the course because of the limited time. Associated Press.

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TOTAL LOSS

Bangkok, June 7. The Greek freighter, M. Xilas, of 5,118 tons, blazing in harbour here since Wednesday, is to be towed out to sink in shallow waters. The fire destroyed the vessel's 4,518 tons of rice cargo. Reuter.

The "National Union of Journalists" has been a good friend of internationalism and is anxious to further the movement begun in London when the wartime International organisation was resuscitated. Mr. Jay told Reuter.

"If however the congress is to become a forum and battle-ground of political ideologies, we may reluctantly be obliged to recognise that the building up of a worldwide organisation of journalists is impossible".

Both Mr. Jay and Mr. C. J. Buncrock, General Secretary of the National Union of Journalists, spoke during the closing session of the possible need for reconsidering the British union's relationship with the international organisation. Reuter.

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The closing session of the International Chamber of Commerce today heard speeches by the retiring president, Winthrop Aldrich, and his successor, Arthur Guinness.

It adopted resolutions to be submitted to the United Nations Economic and Social Council and the Trade and Employment Conference in Geneva.

Aldrich said that he hoped the resolutions would be considered by the Council and the Trade Conference.

Guinness defined the aims of the ICC as "close and loyal collaboration with the Economic and Social Council and all other special agencies of the United Nations".

The resolutions included:

1. "Everything in human power" should be done to prevent world depression.

2. The Economic and Social Council should "show speed and consideration in its dealings with economic and social problems of the hour."

3. Expressed need for an International Trade Organization.

4. Demanded economic activities be better harmonized with social needs.

5. Expressed the ICC conviction that the attainment of a higher standard of living, which represents social obligations as well as an economic objective, can better be ensured by private enterprise within the framework of a public policy than by the expansion of direct activity of the state."—United Press.

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MILK SHIPMENT TO JAPAN

Seattle, June 8.

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THIRD WICKET PARTNERSHIP OF 319 IN 4 HOURS**Students' Parents Undecided**Shanghai, June 8.
The association of the families of arrested students told a press conference today that they have not decided yet whether or not to press legal action to effect the release of the students held as Communist agitators.

They have called on Mayor K.C. Wu and demanded the immediate release of the students or the publication of evidence justifying their detention. They told reporters that the Mayor offered them three alternatives:

1. The students must be detained for a "period of reeducation," with those not seriously implicated being released after the forthcoming final examinations and the rest being set free in two or three months.

2. That they invoke habeas corpus, after which the students will be prosecuted in court.

3. That evidence be made public and those proved to be Red agents be sent to Comintern-held areas.

They denied the alleged statement by the Mayor that the families had consented to the

Nottingham, June 7.
A record-breaking third wicket partnership of 319 in four hours between Alan Melville, who was 183 not out, and Dudley Nurse, out for 149, enabled South Africa to score 376 for three wickets against England by the close of play today in the first Test-match of South Africa's present tour.

The visitors had piled up only two wickets at the tea interval. The third wicket stand was the highest for South Africa in any Test match, their previous highest being 200 by Jack Siedle and Bruce Mitchell in Cape Town in the 1930-31 series.

The previous best for any wicket in the England v. South Africa Tests was 280 by Paul Gibb and Bill Edrich for England at Durban in the 1938-39 Tests.

Melville and Nurse continued to punish the ragged England attack after the tea interval today and runs came so quickly that the partnership reached 200 in 15 minutes.

100 RUNS An Hour
Melville completed his century in 225 minutes, having then hit one six and seven fours. Nurse

continued detention of students and said that Wu declined to divulge the place of detention of their relatives which they said the Mayor told them is "in confidence." —United Press.

Dr. Ho Chi Minh, President of the Viet Nam Government, today expressed a belief that "the resumption" of negotiations between the French and the Viet Name Nationalists — which have been broken off at present — would be facilitated if the French Government made a fresh and clear declaration regarding Viet Nam in the same way as the British did for India and Burma."

Replying to a special questionnaire by Reuter sent him by special courier, Dr. Ho Chi Minh declared: "The Viet Nam problem is not a domestic affair of France and we will bring our problem before the United Nations Assembly when necessary."

Of the attitude of the Big Powers to Viet Nam, he said: "China is brotherlike, America is friendly and the British perhaps neutral."

"Recognition of Viet Nam unity and independence are our minimum terms and conditions for peace," he said. "By unity I mean the formation of Cochin China, Annam and Tonkin into a single unitary type of government which each country will have autonomous governments controlled by and be responsible to a central government."

Dr. Ho Chi Minh explained his conception of independence as "the Viet Nam peoples' right to manage their affairs without foreign assistance."

Never Again

He stated that the Viet Nam Government would not agree to form a common government with only Annam and Tonkin, leaving the Cochin China incorporation to be decided later by referendum. "We accepted that arrangement once before, but never again. Our compatriots in Cochin China, having made supreme sacrifices for the reattachment of Cochin China to the Fatherland, cannot be betrayed by us," he declared.

He dismissed as "a mere pretext" the French contention that settlement with him would mean giving Russia a foothold in Viet Nam. "Soviet Russia did not exist before 1916, but French domination of Viet Nam has been a fact for more than 80 years," he said. "Ho Chi Minh may be a Fascist or a follower of Confucius, but the Viet Nam Government comprises representatives of all political parties as well as non-party leaders."

Desires Peace

Describing as "quite false" the French delegation's claims that he "provoked the present hostilities," the Viet Nam President said: "The Viet Nam Government ardently desires peace in proof whereof we have abolished the Supreme Committee of Resistance, reorganized the Government of National Reconstruction, and just initiated a three-year reconstruction plan for Viet Nam."

He reiterated that the Viet Nam Government must rally in order to

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London, June 7.

Reg Harris of the Manchester Wheelers won the National Cyclists Union thousand yards sprint championship at Herne Hill here today, beating Ken Marshall of the Polytechnics by half a length, making it Harris' fourth successive victory in this event.

Marshall led until the last 50 yards when Harris sped past him to complete the last furlong in 12.6 seconds, which was the fastest furlong of the day. Iew Pond beat Tommy Godwin for third place.—Reuter.

Melville played a superb innings which so far has lasted nearly six hours. Fifteen of his strokes produced fours.

Nurse, playing sound and enterprising cricket, batted four hours and hit one six and 15 fours before he was bowled by an off-break from Hollies at 363. Nurse did not depart straight away, thinking that the ball had come back off the wicket-keeper's pads. Evans, however, appealed to the square-leg umpire, who referred him to the umpire at the bowler's end. The latter said "out" without hesitation.

Melville's innings and elegant stroke play stamp him as one of the best batsmen of the present day. His 183 is the best individual performance for South Africa in any Test against England, beating the 176 by Herbert Taylor at Johannesburg in 1922.

The official attendance at to-

day's match was 17,000.

The scoreboard at the close of play read:

SOUTH AFRICA

1st Innings

A. Melville, not out	183
B.M. Mitchell, b. Bedser	14
K.G. Viljoen, b. Raw.	6
A.D. Edrich	10
A.D. Nurse, b. Hollies	149
O.C. Dowson, not out	3
Extras	17

Total (for 3 wks.) 376

—Reuter.

TERMS FOR PEACE IN INDO-CHINASaigon, June 7.
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Bookmakers Cheered, Backers Groaned

(By Vernon Morgan, Reuters Sports Editor)
Epsom Downs, June 7.

Bookmakers cheered and backers groaned as the 40 to One French outsider, Pearl Diver, romped home in the premier British Classic, the Derby, with the odds-on favourite Tudor Minstrel, believed to be the champion of champions, only fourth.

Bookmakers cheered because it is reckoned that Tudor Minstrel's defeat meant a difference of £5,000,000 to them. Backers groaned because few of the huge 40,000 crowd were on the winner although there were those who backed Pearl Diver because he was bred to stay, because he was French, because he was an unknown quantity and Newmarket touts, where he finished his training, said that he had been going great guns on the heath.

Women, backed him, because they like his name and those who saw him in the paddock could have "thrown away" something on him because he was one of the best built and spiky horses in the field.

I even heard one person, who had a good enough way wager beaten, it looked as if, Sayajirao on him as he saw a muddle on his way to the course and Pearl Diver's colours were black and white. But the masses were on Tudor Minstrel and, apart from this easy Two Thousand Guineas winner, nothing was really seriously backed.

Tudor Minstrel looked a picture in the paddock before the race and behaved like a perfect gentle man, which was one reason why he went to seven, four on. But, as some feared, he failed to stay this gruelling mile and a half and crest fallen Gordon Richards, his rider, who has been 19 times champion jockey and has yet to ride the winner of the Derby, summed up his failure in five words: "He just did not stay."

Steve's Boots

When Richards rounded Tattenham Corner in front, riding comfortably, it looked as if Steve Donoghue's lucky boots with which he won on Manna and which Gordon was wearing were going to help Richards to his life's ambition. But one could see half-way up the straight that he could not win.

Pearl Diver, who had been up with the favorite coming down the hill to Tattenham Corner after a slow start was storming up the straight on the outside just like Airborne last year and it was obvious that nothing could level with him.

Some unhappy backers, who had a poor view of the race, mistook Pearl Diver's white jacket with black dots and white cap for Tudor Minstrel's white jacket with tartan cross and white cap, and thought the favorite had won.

Pearl Diver is the son of France's immortal Pearl Cup, reckoned one of the finest fillies the world has seen. His sire Vatellor has St. Simon blood in his veins, being by Katut out of Lady Elinor, a Teidy mare. As Vatellor twice won the Prix du Cadran, French Ascot Gold Cup trial race, there was every reason why Pearl Diver should stay, as he did.

His record is not very illustrious in France as he was beaten by the Oaks winner Imprudence on his first outing this season—this shows just what a brilliant filly Imprudence is—and his only previous win was on an objection.

Hoodoo Race

He is trained by the famous Frenchman, Percy Carter, who used to train for his owner, Baron George de Waldner's father-in-law, Mr. Edward Esmond.

Baron de Waldner, one of the foremost owner-breeders in France, bred Pearl Diver himself. While he thought that softer going would suit his colt, he had only £50 each way on him because he thought Tudor Minstrel was sure to win.

While the going was not heavy, continuous rain had made it softish, but this would not account for Tudor Minstrel's defeat.

There are those who are saying that the Derby is a hoodoo race for Gordon Richards, and that he will never win it, but none could criticise his riding of the colt today. He rode a perfect race.

He gave Tudor Minstrel every chance but the colt was just not good enough. He was soundly beaten on merit by his home-bred rivals, Sayajirao and Sayajirao, who credited the Indian Princess Ara Khan and the Gauntlet of Barns.

Meanwhile, back officials in Hong Kong, in a third place, were also eliminated. The results will be submitted to the International Committee of the Derby, Belgium, and Italy, Belgium, and France.

NIPPON DERBY

Tokyo, June 8.—Matsunodori, grandson of the British race horse Priory Park, today won the Nippon Derby—Japan's biggest horse race—from a field of 24 before an estimated crowd of 20,000, one day after the Derby run at Epsom.

Vicente H. Kano, former manager of the Yokohama Specie Bank in London and present Vice-President of the Japanese Horse-racing Association, told Reuter today that the racing rules in Japan are based on those at Newmarket. He is campaigning to put racing on a more formal footing in England, with special enclosures for top-hatted racing-coated spectators.

Reuter.

during the afternoon and the race was run in hot sunshine. The crowd was big but in spite of the fact that it was a Saturday, it was not a record.

The police handled the crowd nicely and it took only an hour to get to the course from London by car. As the crowds gradually dispersed, the general remark was "Poor Gordon Richards," for Richards is universally popular.

Superstitious ones said it was because he drew 13, for the favourite was drawn Number 13 at the start. He carried Number Eight on his saddlecloth. It was Grand Weather that carried 13.

Tonight in pubs all over the country, there will be the usual Derby post-mortem, including those who said: "I told you the favourite would not win." Reuter.

Irish Sweep

Dublin, June 7.—Three New Yorkers each won upwards of \$100,000 in the Irish Hospital Sweepstakes today when Pearl Diver won the Derby at Epsom Downs.

There were no other first prize winners from the United States, Canada or South America.

Two Canadians and two Americans each won around \$40,000 second prize money, and two other New Yorkers won third prize money of approximately \$20,000 each.

Although it was horribly wet in the morning, the sun came out

EXPORT-IMPORT BANK LOAN HANGS FIRE

Washington, June 8.

An official source indicated today that the Chinese are holding up submission of specific projects for expending the Export-Import Bank loan pending a policy re-statement.

An Export-Import Bank official said the Chinese have submitted no projects as yet and before they do it was expected that President Truman will release the United States export and import trade.

A Precedent

The reaction of the United States public, press and Congress to the American policy of rapprochement with Argentina may have some effect on President Truman's policy statement.

One source put it, if there is no great reaction against coming to harmonious terms with Argentina and placing her in a position to receive United States arms under the hemispheric agreement, there will not be much opposition from the American public on the necessity of aiding the Chiang Kai-shek Government. —United Press.

SABRE FENCING

Lisbon, June 7.

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Goddard's Grand Performance

London, June 7.—Apart from the Test match at Nottingham bowlers had a good day in other first class cricket matches today, many of which were played on rain-affected wickets.

Bowling on the ground on which he first learned to play cricket, and in his native city, Tom Goddard, the Gloucestershire off spin bowler, accomplished yet another grand performance when he captured eight Leicestershire wickets at Gloucester for 26 runs.

He ended the innings dry attack by taking the last five wickets for nine runs in eight overs. He bowled on a pitch which gave him much assistance and his final analysis was 17 overs, 7 maidens, 26 runs, 8 wickets.

Bowlers also had a happy day at Lord's, where both Glamorgan and Middlesex batsmen were in trouble on a rain-affected pitch.

Glamorgan were dismissed in just over two hours. J. Young, the left-arm slow bowler, taking seven wickets for 46 runs, while Wilfred Barlow, the famous Welsh Rugby International, was just as devastating when Middlesex went in.

George Heath was mainly responsible for Derbyshire's collapse full-back, against Sheffield Wednesday was the outstanding incident in the dying soccer season today.

As they conceded more than three goals in nine Cup ties, Burnley's defence has yielded only 32 goals in 51 games this season, and never more than twice in a match.

Doncaster, who were presented with the League Three North shield during the interval today, scored six goals to beat the League record but failed to score. They had the consolation of taking their points total to 72, which is a new League record.

Drawing at Millwall, Burnley completed their programme with a remarkable defensive record. In conceding only 29 League goals, they have established a new League record since the off-side rule was changed in the season of 1925 and 1926. —Reuter.

American Baseball

New York, June 7.—Pitcher Shee of the Yankees scored the first run after doubling on Henrich's fly, defeating the Browns at St. Louis 3-1. Joe DiMaggio hit a home run in the fourth.

Athletics at Cleveland, Red Sox at Detroit, Cardinals at New York, Cubs at Brooklyn and Pirates at Philadelphia were rained out. Reds at Boston was a night game.

Today's scores follow:

National League

New York Yankees 3 7 0

St. Louis Browns 1 3 0

Yankees: p. Shea; c. Robinson; b. Zoldak; c. Early.

Washington Senators 0 4 1

Chicago-White Sox 4 9 0

Senators: p. Haefner; c. Candini; c. Evans.

White Sox: p. Rigney; Haynes; c. Tresh.

United Press.

Standings

New York, June 8.

The Major League standings, including June 7 games, are as follows:

American League

Won Lost

Detroit 25 17

New York 25 19

Cleveland 18 17

Boston 21 22

Philadelphia 21 22

Chicago 22 25

Washington 18 22

St. Louis 17 24

Associated Press.

National League

Brooklyn 26 18

New York 25 18

Chicago 24 19

Boston 25 20

Pittsburgh 18 24

Cincinnati 20 27

St. Louis 18 25

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MANGRUM AND LOCKE TIE

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"BLUEBIRD" TESTS

Reigate, June 8.

Sir Malcolm Campbell said on Saturday that he would leave "first thing tomorrow morning" for Coniston Water in the North of England Lake district to begin testing his new jet-propelled speedboat.

He said he would open trials sometime next week depending on the weather, but thought he would be able to give the boat its first racing test on Tuesday or Wednesday. —Associated Press.

Just How Good Is Imprudence?

London, June 7.—The French filly Imprudence, the easy winner of the Oaks, is either a very exceptional horse or British fillies this season are of a very poor class. Possibly something between the two.

Telling just how good Imprudence is, she has won all her four races this season and the way year's event.

Charlie Hannam.

She could have been bought for about £30,000 after that race but the party interested thought that this was too much. They would think differently after his facile win today.

Among the two year-old running at Epsom with distinction was the French-bred colt Lelins, half-brother to Sayan, being out of the same mare Perfume but by Djebel. He is owned by the Gaekwar Baroda, who should win some good races with him. He won the valuable Woodcote Stakes over six furlongs in great style.

The British turf lost one of its most famous figures this week with the death of Charlie Hannam, perhaps the greatest professional jockey in the world in his day. Hannam, known as "Old England" who would bet no limit on any even money chance, died at Harrogate, Yorkshire, aged 88.

He would wager fearlessly £10,000 on a horse not worth many shillings and his annual turnover was more than £20,000 on which he reckoned to make about five per cent profit. He retired from betting a few years before the last war. The last survivor of the betting giants, Hannam stuck it out for nearly 60 years.

"Sayany" Lieux

Since Pierre Cordiere, noted French owner and breeder, bought her, she has not dropped a single loser—a remarkable feat. She has no two-year-old in training this year but there is a yearling colt, a full brother to Imprudence, who will go into training next year.

The Oaks winner is rather nicely named for indiscretions in a canoe (Canot) would be imprudence. Special credit for her win must go to her trainer, Joseph Lieux— "Sayany" Lieux as he is now popularly known after his big win with the French colt Sayan in last year's Cambridgeshire.

This young trainer turns his horses out a picture and only he knows how he gets them so muscular and strong. Good French feeding obviously has something to do with it but may there not be something in the general French idea that horses should be made to work for their living?

This may well be one reason for the French success on the British turf, notably over longer distances, that French trainers race their charges as often as possible and keep them sharpened up by constant gallops. This must make them big and strong, supported as they are by plenty of good food. One wishes that Imprudence had been entered for the St. Leger.

Well Beaten

While she might not have matched the feats of her world famous predecessors—Scipio, Pretty Polly and, more recently, Sun Charlot, she would certainly have given the colts a run for their money in the last British classic. She would have had many supporters, and would not have been at a long price.

There were no hard luck Oaks stories among the home-bred horses and Netherdon Maid and Mermaid finished second and third on merit.

Netherdon Maid showed that many Neurco horses are endowed with plenty of stamina. For she was staying on at the finish having come again in a spirited fashion. —Mermaid by Blue Peter also finished strongly. Although her previous race did not suggest that she might be placed, everyone at Epsom seemed to think that she represented the best each way wager and she was odds-on for place on the totalisator.

Another race went to France when Chantilly won his third race off the rest in England to take the valuable Coronation Cup. The French win was qualified by the fact that the horse was brought into the race before the race by the British bookmaker, Williamson, for a figure believed to be around £70,000. This involved an offer by Chantilly's owner, Count D'Orsay, to withdraw the horse if he did not win.

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